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OF A  
LETTER  
SENT BY  
M<sup>r</sup> SPEAKER

*To the Sberiffes of severall Counties.*

NAMELY:

Worcester,  
Cambridge,  
Huntington,  
Leicester,



North-hampton,  
Warwick,  
AND  
Rutland.

*Which have not as yet paid in the Poll-Money.*

With the Copy of an Order sent from  
the Lords and Commons now assembled in  
PARLIAMENT to these severall Counties before-na-  
med, for the speedy transportation of that Money to York  
for disbanding of his Majesties Army.

*And they that are found faulty, shall incurre both the ill-opinion  
and severe punishment of both Houses of Parliament.*

August 24. 1641.

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TO THE

SHERIFFES OF SEVERALL COUNTIES,

*By the Command of the HOUSE of*  
COMMONS.



He House of *Commons*  
did hope that in so  
great a time, and so  
visible a Necessity of  
present money, no pri-  
vate person, much  
lesse any publique Of-  
ficers, would have bin  
so slow, in contributing  
their assistance to the  
Poll-money, but by

the not comming in of this, from the slow and slender comming of it, from others; together with more particular Informations; Wee are forced to

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believe, that both Payers, Assessors, Collectors, and Returners, are in fault concerning it.

I am therefore commanded, to let you know from the House, that as you tender your own, or the publique good, you make all possible haste in returning such moneyes as you have ready, and that you make knowne to the Commissioners, that (if wee be not by them prevented) the House intends to make a Revenue of the Assessments, to the end, that wherein the Assessors either through partiality; should be found either to have left any uncharged, whom the Act chargeth, or to have charged any lower then they are charged by the Act: those that should be found faulty, may incurre both the ill opinion, and severe punishment of *Parliament*, as Contemners of the greatest Authority, in a time of greatest necessity; and by that Contempt, being causes of the Armys lesse speedy disbanding, to the danger as well as the unsupportable, and unnecessary Expence of this Kingdome.

AUGUST the 24. 1641.



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# AN ORDER

OF  
The Lords and Commons in  
Parliament, concerning the more  
speedy Transportation of the *Poll-money*  
to *Yorke*, for disbanding of His  
Majesties Army.

**W**HEREAS it is enacted, that the  
Sheriffes of the Counties, and  
Cities hereafter named, shall a-  
mongst others, pay such summes of  
Money, as they shall receive for *Poll-money*, to the  
Treasurer, in the Act named in the Chamberlaines  
Office, within the City of *London*.

Now forasmuch, as their long delay, and slow  
payment is very burthensome and dangerous to the  
Kingdome; because the Kings Army in the North,

by this meanes remaines undisbanded, to the insupportable charge of the *Common-wealth*.

For the more speedy reliefe of the *Kingdome*, the LORDS and COMMONS in this Parliament assembled, doe hereby order and ordaine, that, the severall Sheriffes of *Worcester, Cambridge, Hunting-ton, Liecester, North-hampton, Rutland, VVarwicke*, and of the Cities that are Counties within those Countries, and every of them respectively : shall forthwith upon notice of this Order, send such Moneyes now in their hands, or shall come to his hand, or any of their hands respectively, or to the hands of his under Sheriffe or Deputy, or to the hands of any of their under Sheriffes, or Deputies, respectively under a sufficient Guard and Convoy to the City of *Yorke*, to pay the same to Sir *VWilliam Vindall*, Knight, *Treasurer of his Majesties Ar my*, now there residing, taking his Acquittance for the same: which Acquittance the said severall Sheriffes respectively shall send to the Chamber of *London*; and that the said *Treasurer* in the Act named, shall accept of the same, as if so much Money were paid in the specie, and shall deliver an Acquittance or Acquittances for the same, which shall be as sufficient a discharge to the said severall Sheriffes, as if the Money had bin paid there.

And the said *Treasurer* of the Army, is hereby required, that he shall as speedily as he may, after the receipt of any such summes from any of the Sheriffes afore-mentioned, send up to the said *Treasurer* of the *Chamberlain of London*, present and distinct *Certificates* of the same.

It is further ordered, that the severall Sheriffes of the *Counties* through which these Moneyes doe passe,



pasſe, ſhall provide a ſufficient Convoy to guard the ſame through the ſeverall Counties : and that the Sheriſſes under whoſe charge the money is, ſhal have allowance for Transportation thereof in their ſeverall Accounts.

Laſtly, it is ordered, that a ſtrict Account be taken of the proceedings of the ſeverall *Sheriſſes* ; As alſo, the *Treafurer* of his Majeſties Army, and of the *Treafurer* appointed by the Act, and of their obedience, and conformity to this Order : and if any ſhall faile therein, it ſhall be interpreted as a great neglect of the ſafety of the *Kingdome*, and contempt of both Houſes of *Parliament* ; for which they ſhall be called to anſwer, and make ſatisfaction aſwell for their offence, as for ſuch damage as the *Commonwealth* hath under-gone by their default.



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